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- Species D in which the process that produces a deceleration of the vehicle includes a process for producing a braking force on the wheels of the vehicle only;
- Species E in which the process that produces a deceleration of the vehicle includes a process for reducing power from a power source of the vehicle only; and
- Species F in which the process that produces a deceleration of the vehicle includes a process for producing a braking force on the wheels of the vehicle and a process for reducing power from a power source of the vehicle.

Applicants hereby elect, with traverse, Species C and D. Claims 1-12 are readable on the elected species.

The election is made with traverse for several reasons. First, the parameters of the election of species requirement outlined in the Official Action and discussed with the Examiner seem inconsistent. As identified in the Official Action, species D-F involve processes for producing deceleration of the vehicle. The species identified as A in the election of species requirement does not relate to a process producing deceleration of the vehicle. That is, the Official Action indicates that species A pertains to a process configured to produce an alarm.

The election is also made with traverse because it is believed that examination of claims directed to one or more of the species identified above will not impose a serious burden on the Examiner. It is believed that the search required for the non-elected species would likely be coextensive with that required for the elected species. In addition, to the extent any later presented claims are deemed not readable on the elected species, it is expected that examination of such claims

together with the claims readable on the elected species would not be seriously burdensome.


In light of the foregoing, withdrawal of the election of species requirement is respectfully requested.

Should any questions arise in connection with this application, the undersigned respectfully requests that he be contacted at the number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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